

Friday, February 17, 1961

HIGHLIGHTS

House group started hearings on legislation to increase the minimum wage.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held Monday, February 20, at noon.

Committee Meetings

FOREIGN POLICY REVIEW

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee held hearings on a study entitled "Ideology and Foreign Affairs," prepared by the Center for International Affairs, Harvard University. Testimony was received from Prof. Zbigniew Brzezinski, of Harvard.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 47 public bills, H.R. 4502-4548; 20 private bills, H.R. 4549-4568; and 9 resolutions, H.J. Res. 242-245, H. Con. Res. 164 and 165, and H. Res. 172-174, were introduced.

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Small Business Committee: The Speaker announced the appointment of the following Members to membership on the Select Committee To Conduct Studies and Investigations of the Problems of Small Business: Representatives McCulloch, Moore, Avery, Smith of California, Robison, and Derwinski.

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Interparliamentary Conference: Announcement was made by the Speaker of the appointment as members of the U.S. delegation of the Canada-United States Interparliamentary Group for the meeting to be held in Ottawa, Canada, from February 22 to 26, 1961, the following Members on the part of the House: Representatives Gallagher, chairman, Kelly, Yates, Ikard, Dulski, Philbin, Stratton, Curtis of Massachusetts, Broomfield, Cunningham, Harvey, and Tupper.

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Washington's Farewell Address: Agreed to a special order providing for the reading of George Washington's Farewell Address on Wednesday, February 22. Representative Beermann was subsequently designated by the Speaker to read the Farewell Address to the House.

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Bills Referred: Two Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees.

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Executive Communications: Received a communication from the President transmitting a proposed bill to provide a special program for feed grains for 1961. The letter was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Also received a letter from the President requesting a proposed supplemental appropriation of \$33 million for the Department of Labor, a proposed increase in limitation in the amount of \$10 million for the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, and a reduction of \$12 million in a proposed supplemental appropriation for the Post Office Department, all for fiscal year 1961. This communication was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 1 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FARMERS AND WORLD AFFAIRS, INC.

Committee on Agriculture: Heard a report from various members of the Farmers and World Affairs, Inc., regarding their recent trip to India.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Special Subcommittee on Labor heard Arthur Goldberg, Secretary of Labor, and the secretary-treasurer, AFL-CIO, regarding minimum wage legislation.

DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, DEFENSE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Science and Astronautics: Continued hearings on Department of Defense research and devel-

opment program. Witnesses heard were Richard S. Morse, Director of Research and Development, Department of the Army; and Lt. Gen. Arthur G. Trudeau, USA, Chief of Research and Development, Department of the Army. Hearings continue on Monday, February 20.

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on H.R. 3864, to provide for the establishment of a temporary program of extended unemployment compensation, to increase the wages subject to the Federal unemployment tax; and H.R. 3865, to authorize Federal

financial participation in aid to dependent children of unemployed parents. Public witnesses were heard.

Joint Committee Meetings

RAW MATERIALS REPORT

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session to receive testimony on the raw materials program of the Atomic Energy Commission. Witnesses heard were Jesse C. Johnson, Director, Division of Raw Materials, AEC, and John P. Abbadessa, of the General Accounting Office, who discussed a preliminary report of his Office on this subject.

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Both Houses received President's message on aid to education.
Senate passed bill to establish Office of International Travel.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: 41 bills and 3 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 985-1025; S. Con. Res. 13; and S. Res. 90-91. Pages 2338-2339

President's Message—Education: Message from President recommending legislation for aid to education was received—referred to Committee on Labor and Public Welfare. Page 2322

President's Communication—Social Security: Communication was received from President transmitting proposed bill to improve benefits under the old-age, survivors, and disability insurance programs—referred to Committee on Finance. Page 2326

President's Communication—Feed Grains: Communication from President transmitting draft of proposed bill to provide a special program for feed grains for 1961 was received—referred to Committee on Agriculture and Forestry and ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 12. Pages 2325-2326

Canadian-U.S. Interparliamentary Group: It was announced that the Vice President has appointed Senate members of the Canadian-U.S. Interparliamentary Group for the conference to be held at Ottawa February 22-25 as follows: Senators Long (Louisiana), Dodd,

Jordan, Metcalf, Hartke, Yarborough, Capehart, Aiken, Allott, Dworshak, Boggs, and Smith (Maine).

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Committee on the Aging: It was announced that the Vice President has appointed as members of the Special Committee on the Aging, Senators McNamara, Smathers, Engle, Williams (New Jersey), Long (Hawaii), Neuberger, Dirksen, Goldwater, and Cotton.

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Authority To Report: Committee on the Judiciary was granted an extension of time until March 31, 1961, to file reports pursuant to S. Res. 226 and S. Res. 231-241 of the 86th Congress, all of which have to do with investigations conducted by subcommittees of that committee.

Time was extended until March 15, 1961, for Committee on Labor and Public Welfare to file report pursuant to S. Res. 267 (migratory labor), 86th Congress.

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Merchant Marine: Senate passed without amendment S. 707, providing transportation on Canadian vessels between certain points in Alaska and other points in the U.S. Page 2360

Merchant Marine: Senate passed without amendment S. 804, relating to the length of time for which the Federal Maritime Board may suspend tariff schedules.

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